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SUPERIOR DAHLIAS



for

THE MIDDLE WEST



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The dahlia as a garden flower has come rapidly in favor the past few years; a popularity it well deserves as we have few other flowers that can compare with it in diversity of forms, variety of colors, and long season of bloom. As the peony is to spring and the rose to mid-summer, in like manner we have come to expect of autumn—the dahlia.

But the dahlia in the Middle West has not been grown as it should be nor is its real value yet realized or appreciated. Coming into bloom at a time when there is little else in flower it should have a place in our garden scheme since there is not another flower that can be depended upon in like manner to carry over and extend our blossoming season from mid-season on till late in the fall.

One of the foremost reasons perhaps why the dahlia has not received the attention it deserves in this section is due in part to the fact that there are no professional growers, other than ourselves, who have ever attempted to try them out on a large scale, the old with the new, the best from every source, and ascertain by actual tests and comparisons just what varieties are best adapted to our middle and northern states.

We have been growing dahlias for several years and selecting from among hundreds of varieties those best suited to our conditions. The varieties in this list are the "survival of the fittest" and will be found to do well wherever dahlias can be grown. Not only are they the most reliable and the best obtainable in their respective colors, the earliest and freest to flower, but of equal importance, have long stiff stems carrying the blossoms well out of the foliage.

For convenience in ordering and to eliminate the bother of searching through very long lists for a few good sorts, we are listing the very best dahlias of their class into sets of six—the smallest unit possible where a good display and full range of color is desired. Into these sets have been put the benefit of our experience and to those who have had "no luck," or who have never grown dahlias before, they are especially recommended.

The dahlias in Sets I. and II. are of the medium size, both in plant and flower, a size that lends itself so admirably to all kinds of decoration whether for garden, home, office, personal adornment, or exhibition.

SET I.

These are the earliest, most continuous, and freest to flower and will grow and flourish everywhere and under the most adverse conditions.

1—Princess Julianna (Py)—Pure waxy white and a most attractive appearance. Received a 1st class certificate from the Holland Dahlia Society.

2—Countess of Lonsdale (C)—An exquisite blending of amber and deep salmon pink. Best for all sections and most reliable in the entire list of Cactus Dahlias.

3—Sylvia (Dec) or Marj. Castleton (C)—In color the same, a delicate, though very pleasing rosy pink, tinted lighter towards the center. Prolific bloomers, and stems and keeping qualities the best.

4—Minnie McCullough (Dec)—A flower for the connoisseur, indispensable in any collection, and entirely distinct and in a class by itself on account of the dainty combination of autumn

It is not our intention to grow every variety of dahlia in the world, there are several thousands, but it is our ambition to grow the best and to keep even these down to a reasonable selection.

shades—the gold and red of autumn leaves. Especially effective under artificial light

5—Lyndhurst (Dec)—Dazzling vermillion, the best bright red for the garden or cutting. An early, free, and continuous bloomer.

6—Floradora (C)—Rich velvety dark red shading to a garnet center. A bower of blossoms from early summer till frost.

Any one variety, strong tubers, 35c each. Set—\$2.00.....

SET II.

1—Lawine (C)—A magnificent flower on long stems. A large white with a suggestion of blush at the center which adds greatly to its charm. A vigorous grower and profuse bloomer. One of the best for all purposes.

Price \$.35.....

2—Delice (Dec)—Loveliest in its class and the most popular dahlia grown today on account of its wonderful color; a bright, pure, luminous pink entirely distinct. Stems, vigor, and habit all good.

Price \$.35.....

3—Rocking Moon (C)—(New) Good clear yellows are hard to find. Most of the yellow dahlias have either a suffusion of other colors or are shy bloomers and unreliable. In this variety we have a rich, solid lemon yellow; one that does not fade or lose its center at the first clash with the sun. Nor does it shirk its duty like some, but continues to bloom right on through the season, holding its own with the sturdier pinks and reds.

Price \$.75.....

4—Bonny Blue (H.S.)—The nearest approach to a genuine blue yet produced—a color hitherto lacking in dahlias. The form, stem, and keeping qualities are all that could be desired, and the strong, dark, solid color seems to blend admirably with most other sorts. In fact an all purpose dahlia which everyone seems to like.

Price \$.50.....

5—Mina Burgle (Dec)—A champion variety producing flowers of great size and remarkable beauty. Color, a glowing and most brilliant scarlet-red. The best of its class and always an attraction wherever shown.

Price \$.50.....

6—Golden West (H.C.)—A flower well named. A deep rich golden yellow overlaid orange. One of the most popular of the autumn shades.

One variety at the list price. Set—\$2.50 (strong tubers).

The varieties in this list are of somewhat later introduction and show some improvement in coloration and size of flower and are nearly as free to bloom.

SET III.

While Set III. was gotten up primarily for those who wish to grow the largest dahlias possible for exhibition, size alone has not been the only consideration. The varieties here offered each and every one is an outstanding dahlia in its class and color, and remarkably free considering the size of the flowers.

1—Attraction (H.C.)—Entirely distinct. Imagine a beautiful, glistening lavender flower, immense in size, and standing erect on stems anywhere from two to four feet. Although a delicate color it is one of the most striking flowers we grow, equally popular with both men and women.

Price \$.80.....

2—LeGrand Manitou (Dec)—Enormous flowers, in color a pure white artistically striped, splashed, and blotched rich deep

purple. The plants occasionally bear a solid purple colored flower. The effect is most pleasing, giving this variety supreme place in the variegated class.

Price \$.50.....

3—Perriot (C)—Unique and striking; in color a deep amber boldly tipped white. It possesses an individual refinement different from all others. The huge blossoms are perfect and always create a furore wherever shown.

Price \$.75.....

4—Queen Elizabeth (Peony)—The highest type of the peony dahlia yet produced. The formation is unique in that the curled center petals completely cover the center, somewhat resembling a chrysanthemum. The flowers are large, seven inches and over, and borne erect on long two to three foot stems. Valuable alike for garden, cutting, and exhibition.

Price \$.50.....

5—Souv. de Gustav Douzon (Dec)—Comparable in size to the sunflower and probably the largest dahlia grown. The color is a very livid, though pleasing shade of orange-red. Can easily be forced for the "Largest Dahlia in the Show." Should be in every collection.

Price \$.35.....

6—J. H. Jackson (C)—An exceptionally satisfactory, all around variety, superb for garden or as a cut flower and equally good for exhibition. Color a perfectly gorgeous deep velvety blackish maroon. Gigantic in size and the finest black cactus dahlia grown.

Price \$.35.....

One variety at the list price. Set—\$3.00.....

SET IV.

Prepared to harmonize with and complete any one or more of the other sets, Set IV. is made up of four different and distinct types not included in the previous list. If you would know the beauty of the dahlia in all its different forms, do not overlook this set.

Two Pompon, the smallest dahlia, fine for small decorations where larger flowers are out of the question:

1—Little Beauty (Pompon)—Little round, fully quilled balls of pure pink. Excellent stems and profuse bloomer.

Price \$.35.....

2—Routhaut (Pompon)—A splendid new red of perfect shape and splendid habit.

Price \$.35.....

Two Ball or Show Dahlias

3—Grand Duke Alexis (Show)—Very large and full with long thick quills overlapping at the ends. White, slightly tinged and blotched lavender, the most chaste and beautiful of all show dahlias.

Price \$.35.....

4—A. D. Lavoni (Show)—Warm rose-pink, quilled petals and a perfect flower. New kinds come and old kinds go but Lavoni can never be spared from a dahlia list selected for popular cut flowers.

Price \$.35.....

I Colorette Dahlia

5—Maurice Ricvoire (Col)—The dahlia with a Victorian air. A gorgeous crimson flower with a pure white colorette of short petals, perfectly arranged around a rich golden yellow center. A supreme variety of this type.

Price \$.35.....

Dahlias look well planted as hedges, along the border, or at the back of the garden. They will do all the better for a little shade.

I Single Dahlia

6—Giant Century (Single)—The largest single and a most lovely combination of shades and tints. Color is yellow at base, shading to bronze—salmon and rosy-carmine with white tips. Medium size plants but very free bloomers.

Price \$.50.....

One variety at the list price. Set—\$2.00.....

THE FOUR SETS—24 finest varieties, each different and distinct for \$9.00.....

SET V.

(Our Best Dozen)

In this set we offer the best twelve dahlias of the world's finest, moderate priced, exhibition varieties. Dahlias almost without a fault, perfect in shape, unparalleled in size and color and length of flower stems. Each and every one have won their "spurs" at the National Dahlia Show and countless other medals and awards throughout the country. If you want to "set the pace" with dahlias in your community or just grow them for the satisfaction of having the best—this is the set.

1—Edna Spencer (C)—An exquisite shade of lavender which cannot be surpassed in daintiness of coloring. Prolific to bloom, and an ideal exhibition or cut flower variety. Especially beautiful under the lamps of night. Price \$1.00.....

2—F. W. Fellows (C)—Flowers of phenomenal size composed of numerous long narrow incurving petals of an orange-scarlet color. A variety that there is never enough of, and a winner every time. Price \$.75.....

3—Geo. Walters (C)—This variety has received prizes for beauty and size in all parts of the country. The flowers are of the largest size and perfect formation. In color, a lovely pinkish-salmon shade tinged with gold in the center. Price \$1.....

4—Dr. Tevis (Dec)—Received a Gold Medal at the National Dahlia Show for the "Largest Flower on Exhibition." Blooms up to eleven inches in diameter. The color is a lovely shade of salmon-rose, suffused with old gold, shading to a golden-apricot center. Early and consistent bloomer and excellent all-purpose variety. Price \$.75.....

5—Helen Durnbaugh (H.C.)—Gold Medal Variety. In color a lovely delicate blush, deepening towards the center to a soft rose; general effect—shell pink. One of the best. Price \$1.....

6—Mrs. Carl Salbach (Dec)—Gold Medal Variety. This variety created a tremendous sensation, both in Europe and America, immediately after its introduction. Longest and best stems of all, often over four feet. Immense blooms, in color a beautiful mellow pink, shading to a lighter center. Perhaps the most popular dahlia of recent introduction. Price \$1.25.....

7—Patrick O'Mara (Dec)—Gold Medal Variety. Has been widely heralded as the best cut flower dahlia in cultivation today and really ranks at the top for all purposes. The color is a beautiful autumn shade of orange and buff slightly tipped rose. Has won countless medals and awards everywhere. Price \$1.00.....

8—Pride of California (Dec)—Crimson red with a full dark red center. The flowers are huge and on large perpendicular stems at least fifteen inches to two feet above the foliage. Blooms early, continuously, and never fails. It began earning premiums from its introduction in 1917 and at every exhibition since has received its share of awards. A genuine Gold Medal Variety. Price \$.75.....

Late blooming dahlias and those having colors too delicate to withstand hot sun are worthless in our middle west gardens. We have discarded them.

9—Rosa Nell (Dec)—A variety whose entrancing loveliness will linger long after the blossoms are gone. A deep rich, bright rose, a most unusual shade, makes this variety one of the most striking of the newer introductions. A very free bloomer and keeps exceptionally well when cut. Price \$1.50.....

10—Gladys Sherwood (H.C.)—Gold Medal Variety. An immense white blossom, very deep and full to the center, having long wide satiny-pointed petals that glisten in the sun. Flowers held erect on strong stiff stems, does not sunburn and is a superb garden or exhibition dahlia. Price \$1.50.....

11—Etendarce de Lyon (H.C.)—In color a rich royal purple with a brilliant suffusion difficult to describe. The shape is distinct from all others, the petals being broad, curled, and wavy, forming a very large flower but without coarseness or formality. Old but has taken its place alongside the best of the new introductions. Price \$.75.....

12—Insulunde (Dec)—A variety tremendously popular, having all the points that make a perfect dahlia. The color is one of those striking autumn combinations which everybody admires, a rich saffron yellow blending to a russet-orange on the reverse. The broad petals wave and twist giving an irresistible effect. The best dahlia ever sent out of Holland and one of the best in the world today regardless of price. Price \$1.25.....

Single varieties at list price. Set \$12.00..... (Strong tubers).

DAKOTA—THE DAHLIA SUPREME

The originator of this extraordinary dahlia must have been unusually inspired to name it so fittingly, for the flower is symbolic of the state and the state the flower—each a compliment to the other. In color a rich and dazzling orange heavily overlaid and suffused red and gold, a combination of colors producing the appearance of living, leaping flames in the summer sunlight. It is a powerful flower as distinct and impressive in the garden as in the show room. Disdaining to droop their heads, the enormous flowers are held standing erect on strong, stout stems and face the garden boldly. Liberal to the extreme in the production of flowers, a winner every time, it is in every way the epitome of our Sunshine State and the ONE variety you should grow if no other. Price (strong tubers) \$2.50.....

MIGNON DAHLIAS

(Something Entirely New)

Some years ago we received a shipment of plants from an eastern firm and included with them were a few shriveled up dahlia roots. These were planted in an out of the way place and forgotten. Imagine our surprise when some weeks later, towards the end of June, we discovered that these roots had not only grown but had commenced to flower, even at this early date. We were still more surprised to find that they kept right on blooming and were covered with flowers all summer and fall until finally cut down by the frost.

The flowers were single and the plants dwarf, never growing more than 15 inches in height. The colors were exceedingly brilliant ranging in all shade from white to nearly black. This was our first introduction to the Mignon Dahlias and we have been getting more enthusiastic about them ever since. For bedding or edgeing or fronting down in front of taller varieties and when an EARLY and CONTINUOUS mass of flowers is desired they are in a class by themselves and the showiest flower

The average date of the first killing frosts in Sioux Falls, according to the Weather Bureau, is October 15th, last year not till November. California has not a longer dahlia season.

in the garden. They are the most valuable plant of this type brought out in recent years, and we predict they will become tremendously popular.

Price \$.50..... each. 12 plants, mixed colors \$2.50.....

SUPERIOR DAHLIAS—General List

Bride's Bouquet (C)—This variety combines all the virtues of the ideal white cactus dahlia. It is an early and profuse bloomer, purest white, flowers medium to large and of perfect form. The stems are long, straight and erect with the flowers set at right angles to the stem. Lasts for days when cut. Plants vigorous and well branched. The one indispensable variety of its color. Price \$1.50.....

Darlene (Dec)—The earliest, most continuous and freest blooming double dahlia in existence. The color is an exquisite shade of live shell pink with a blending of white at the center. The foliage is luxurious and the habit being dwarf and branching a single plant will make an excellent specimen on the lawn. Unquestionably the most valuable all purpose dahlia for northern gardens. Price \$.75.....

Kalif (C)—A truly majestic flower of perfect form and in color a beautiful pure glowing scarlet. The gigantic flowers, which are freely produced, are held erect on strong stems of wiry stiffness making it a most effective and useful variety. The most popular of all red dahlias. Price \$.75.....

LaFavorite (H.C.)—A splendid new variety unexcelled in form, type, length of stem, growing, and flowering qualities. In color a beautiful brilliant orange-salmon, shading from a dark reddish salmon to salmon pink. A color so rich and heavy as to suggest that it had been dusted on the flower. A great favorite at the gardens last season. Price \$1.00.....

Marguerite Bouchon (C)—A charming bright rose-pink shading to white at the tips making a delicate and pleasing combination. A stately and distinct flower and one of the finest pink exhibition dahlias to date. Price \$.75.....

Queen Mary (Dec.)—A grand decorative that has proved its worth as the best deep pink for all purposes. The size is large, full high center, even up to November when killed by frost. Color a clear silvery pink. Will last a week when cut. Price \$.50.....

Yellow King (C)—An unusually large flower of pure yellow, very rich in color, freely produced on very long stems. Free and continuous bloomer and one of the most reliable under all conditions. Price \$.50.....

GENERAL LIST—Each the Best of its Class and Color

Ball or Show Dahlias

American Beauty—Wine Crimson, immense and free.....	\$.35
Dorothy Peacock—Large perfect shaped flower of sea-shell pink. Early and profuse35
Dreer's White—Glistening pure white, unsurpassed for color and freedom of bloom.....	.35
Dreer's Yellow—The best yellow show dahlia ever sent out. Early and profuse.....	.35
Gold Medal—Deep golden yellow, tipped and suffused oriental red. By far the best of its color.....	.50
Helen Hollis—A sensational wonder and undoubtedly the largest and best deep scarlet show dahlia in existence....	.35
Maud Adams—The color is pure snowy-white, very effectively overlaid delicate pink. A Model of Perfection.....	.35

Pompon Dahlias

Belle of Springfield—Crushed strawberry. One of the small-est and best35
Bobby—Rich plum color, exceptionally fine.....	.35
Catherine—Bright golden yellow. Fine stem and free.....	.35
Gretchen Heine—Blush white heavily tipped rose. Very dainty35
Kleine Domittea—Pretty orange buff. Prolific bloomer.....	.35
Little Prince—Bold and striking. Richest crimson maroon striped scarlet and white.....	.35
Pure Low—Deep lilac; extra fine and free.....	.35
Snowclad—The finest pure white.....	.35

Single Dahlias

Eckford Century—Large pure white spotted and penciled crimson.

Rose-Pink Century—A lovely clear rose-pink. Fine for cutting.

St. George—Clear canary yellow, flowering very profusely on long slender stems.

Snowflake—Large, free flowering, pure waxy white.

20th Century—Immense flowers. Intense rose crimson shading to white edges and a light halo around the disc.

Tang. Century—Cadmium—yellow shaded orange-scarlet. Most distinct and novel.

Wild Fire or Jack—Brilliant firey scarlet, overlaid golden yellow. The freest flowering dahlia grown.

Any of the above \$.35.....each. \$3.50.....per doz.

Collarette Dahlias

Ami Norrin—Dark crimson carmine, collar white, rose suffused.

Dainty—Soft rose, deepening to carmine center, lemon collar.

Maurice Revoire—Ox-Blood red, and white fringed collar.

Price same as above.



DAHLIAS

The Newest and Rarest Introductions

This list contains the very latest and best of the new introductions such as have been recently tried out and have proved their worth at all the great dahlia shows of the country. They are destined to become very popular because of the wonderful coloring and enormous blossoms, FREELY produced and carried high above the foliage on long cane-like stems. They are the acme of perfection thus far attained and the best that can be had for cutting, decorative purposes, or exhibition. These varieties are still very rare and high priced and we have only a few to offer this season. If you are a "dahlia fan" and have been thinking of trying out some of them why not see them first at our trial garden during the blooming season. You will be welcomed as will all others who enjoy beautiful flowers and if the season is opportune they will be worth coming many miles to see.

Ambassadeur	Mariposa
Amum Ra	Mary C. Burns
Ballet Girl	Matador
Bonanza	Minamota
Carmencita	Mephistopheles
Camille Frachon	Mrs. I.de V. Warner
Champagne	Mrs. C. H. Dresselhuis
Cinderella	Nobilis
Cigarette	Paradise
Earl Williams	Paul Micheal
Eldorado	Red Cross
ElGranada	Pride of San Francisco
Elite Glory	Princess Pat
Elsie Drexler	Robert Treat
Emma Marie	Romance
Fluffy Ruffles	Rockwood
Francis Lobdell	Sagamore
Gay Paree	Shower of Gold
Geisha	Shagerrak
Giant Ruby	Shadow's Lavender
IGadys Bates	Snowdrift
Gorgeous	Spa
Hortulanus Fieb	Sparkler
Island Patrol	Stunner
Jersey Beauty	Susan G. Tevis
Jessie K. Prescot	Talisman
John Alden	Tom Lundy
Judge Morean	Tommy Atkins
Kalif	The Grissley
Kitty Dunlap	The Oriole
LaMascotte	U. S. A.
Little Jewel	Wizard of Oz
Lotus	



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